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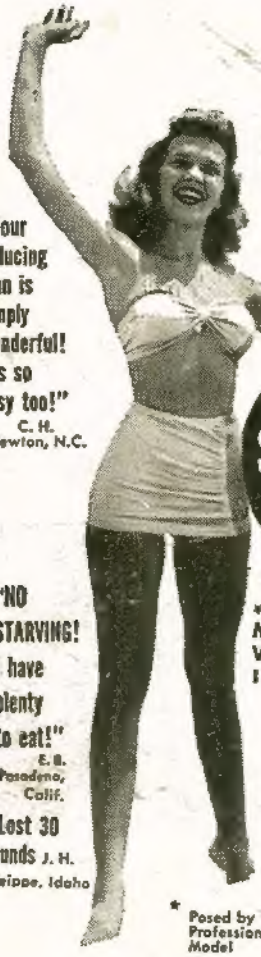

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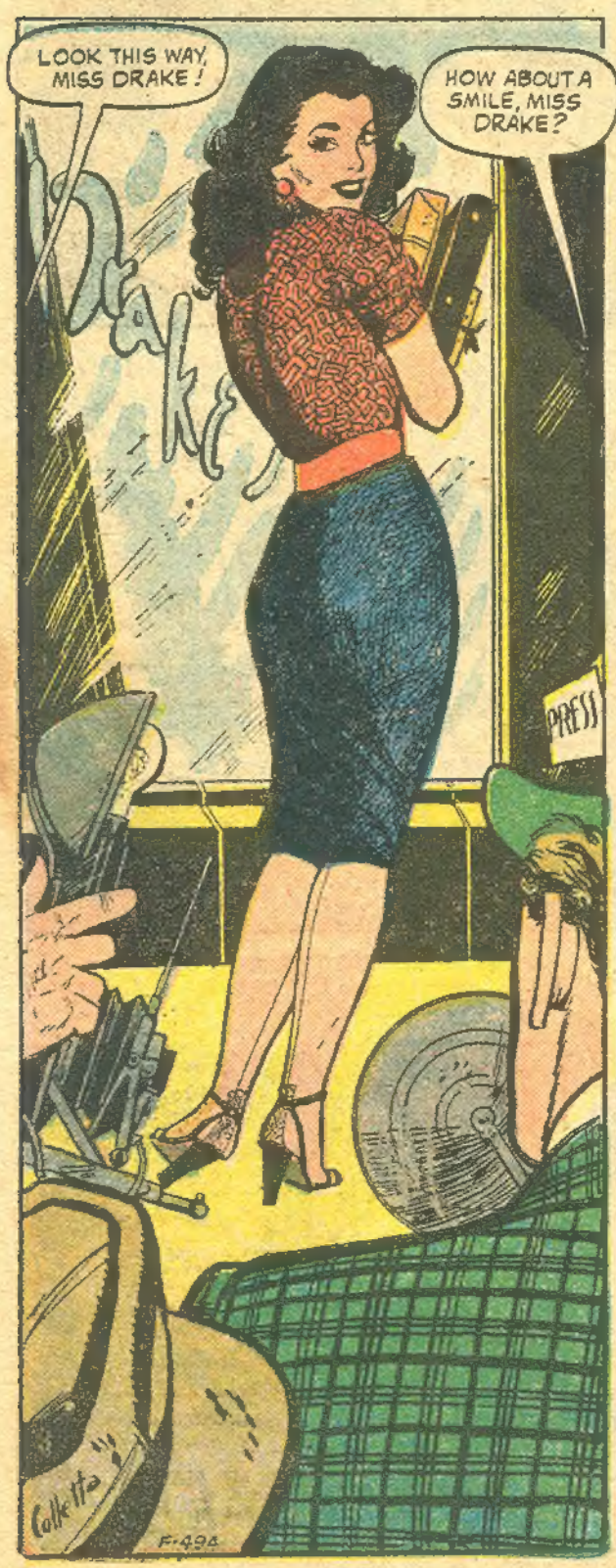
HE WAS THE MAN I HAD WAITED ALL MY LIFE FOR... BUT COULD I BE SURE HE MEANT IT WHEN HE SAID...

I LOVE YOU



YOU CAN SEND THE PHOTOS HERE IN CHARGE OF MARY M. MERLE! I'M NOT MISS DRAKE... I ONLY WORK IN HER DEPARTMENT STORE! SORRY!
BUT SHE'S SUPPOSED TO BE STOPPING OFF AT HER NEW YORK STORE TODAY!
IF SHE ISN'T MISS DRAKE, SHE'S HER DOUBLE!

IT WASN'T THE FIRST TIME I'D BEEN MISTAKEN FOR THE BOSS! AND EVERY TIME IT HAPPENED, I DRIFTED OFF IN A DREAM WORLD, PRETENDING I WAS THE REAL MISS DRAKE, WHOSE CHAIN OF STORES MADE HER ONE OF THE RICHEST GIRLS IN AMERICA...

OH DEAR, I WISH I COULD MAKE UP MY MIND... DO I WANT MY SLIPPERS TRIMMED WITH MINK OR CHINCHILLA?
SNAP OUT OF IT, MARY! YOU'RE WANTED IN THE OFFICE... AND BY MISS DRAKE!
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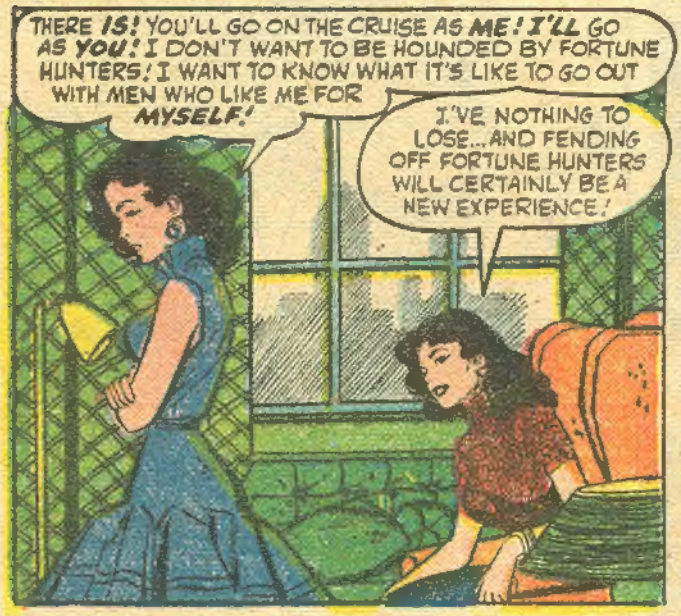
WONDERING WHY THEY WANTED ME, I RUSHED UPSTAIRS! AS I ENTERED THE OFFICE, I SAW MISS DRAKE AND GAPED...

LISA DRAKE INTRODUCED HERSELF AND QUICKLY PUT ME AT MY EASE... THEN SHE SPRANG A FASCINATING QUESTION...

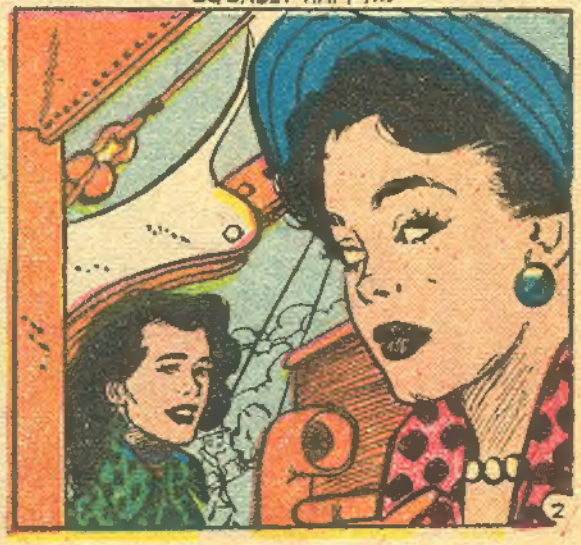
MARY, HOW'D YOU LIKE A SOUTH AMERICAN CRUISE, COMPLETE WITH THE BEST STATEROOM AND FINEST WARDROBE ...AND ITS ABSOLUTELY FREE!
I'D LOVE IT, MISS DRAKE... BUT THERE MUST BE A CATCH!


THERE IS! YOU'LL GO ON THE CRUISE AS ME! I'LL GO AS YOU! I DON'T WANT TO BE HOUNDED BY FORTUNE HUNTERS! I WANT TO KNOW WHAT IT'S LIKE TO GO OUT WITH MEN WHO LIKE ME FOR MYSELF!
I'VE NOTHING TO LOSE... AND FENDING OFF FORTUNE HUNTERS WILL CERTAINLY BE A NEW EXPERIENCE!

YES, LISA DRAKE WAS IN EARNEST, HOPING THAT ON THIS TRIP NO ONE WOULD TROUBLE HER WITH FALSE ROMANTIC PRETENTIONS! TO MAKE CERTAIN I'D BE UP TO THE PART, SHE HAD ME OUTFITTED BY HER OWN DRESSMAKER...

AS I ARRIVED AT THE BOAT, FLASHBULBS POPPED ONCE MORE. BUT THIS TIME, I PRETENDED THEY WERE REALLY FOR ME...

AS THE BOAT'S WHISTLE SOUNDED, I CAUGHT A FLEETING GLANCE AT LISA DRAKE AND SMILED! WE WERE BOTH IN EACH OTHER'S SHOES AND EQUALLY HAPPY...



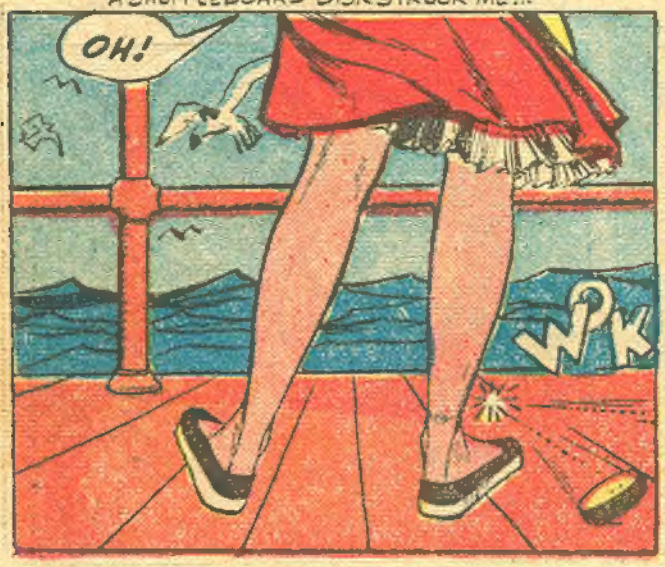
I HAD HARDLY STEPPED INTO MY LAVISH STATEROOM, WHEN THE PHONE BEGAN RINGING! I ACCEPTED A DATE, AND THAT NIGHT, AS THE SHIP SAILED SOUTHWARD, I DANCED IN MY DAZZLING GOWN...

LIFE WASN'T DULL FOR AN HEIRESS! THERE WAS ALWAYS A MAN AT MY SIDE, BUT EACH ONE TALKED LIKE THE LAST...

LISA, I CAN'T EXPLAIN IT, BUT THESE FEW HOURS WITH YOU WERE ENOUGH TO TELL ME... YOU MUST BE MINE!
MEANWHILE, I'LL BET HE'D SETTLE FOR A JOINT BANK ACCOUNT!

BY THE THIRD DAY, I BEGAN TO SEE WHY LISA DRAKE WANTED TO STOP BEING HERSELF FOR JUST A LITTLE WHILE! I HAD CHAMPAGNE AND CAVIAR, BUT NOT SINCERITY OR REAL ROMANCE...

THE NEXT DAY, AS I STROLLED DOWN THE SUNLIT DECK, A SHUFFLEBOARD DISK STRUCK ME...



AS I SANK DOWN ON A DECK CHAIR, AN APOLOGETIC MAN RACED OVER...

DICK BRIGHT'S WORDS AND AN ICE PACK QUICKLY SOOTHED ME! LATER THAT DAY, WHEN WE DOCKED AT OUR FIRST PORT OF CALL, WE WENT ASHORE TOGETHER...

AFTER A DAY OF TOURING IN DICK'S GAY COMPANY, WE DINED AT A WONDERFUL HOTEL ASHORE, AND THAT NIGHT, I FELT A TREMOR OF EXCITEMENT, AS HE HELD ME IN HIS ARMS AND WE DANCED...

WHEN WE RETURNED TO THE SHIP, ROMANCE WAS IN THE AIR! I TREMBLED SLIGHTLY IN EXCITED ANTICIPATION, AS DICK PULLED ME CLOSE AND WE KISSED...

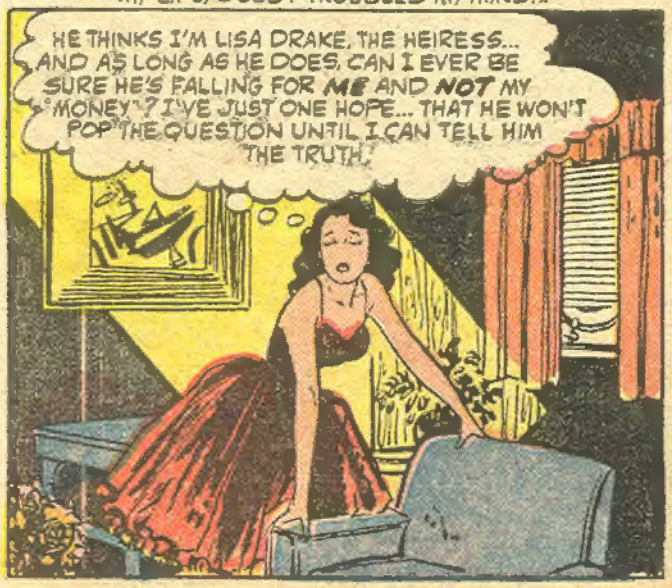
FOR THE NEXT FEW DAYS, WE WERE CONSTANT COMPANIONS, SWIMMING IN THE DAYTIME...

...DANCING TOGETHER AT NIGHT, AS MOONLIGHT FLOODED A CALM OCEAN AND LANTERNS THREW THEIR COLORED PATTERNS ACROSS DICK'S HANDSOME FACE...

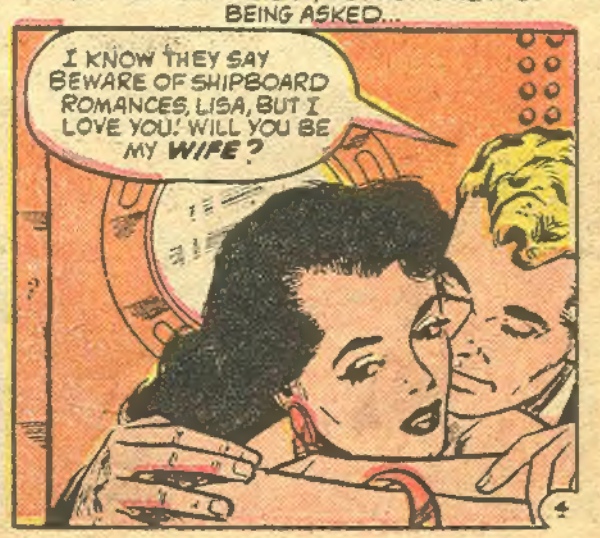
WHEN WE HIT A PORT, DICK AND I ALWAYS MADE TOURING A TWOSOME...

YES, IT WAS A SHIPBOARD ROMANCE, AND MY HEART TOLD ME IT WAS QUICKLY BLOSSOMING INTO A DEEP AND EXCITING LOVE...

BUT EVEN WHILE THE WARMTH OF HIS KISS LINGERED ON MY LIPS, DOUBT TROUBLED MY MIND...


HE THINKS I'M LISA DRAKE, THE HEIRESS... AND AS LONG AS HE DOES, CAN I EVER BE SURE HE'S FALLING FOR ME AND NOT MY MONEY? I'VE JUST ONE HOPE... THAT HE WON'T POP THE QUESTION UNTIL I CAN TELL HIM THE TRUTH!

THE NEXT NIGHT, DICK LED ME AWAY FROM THE DANCING AND TOOK MY HAND IN HIS! MY HEART SANK, FEARFUL THAT HE'D ASK ME THE QUESTION I MOST WANTED TO HEAR, BUT NOW DREADED BEING ASKED...



OH, DICK, I LOVE YOU, TOO... BUT DON'T MAKE ME ANSWER NOW!
WHAT'S WRONG? IF YOU LOVE ME, WHY WON'T YOU ANSWER?

I CAN'T EXPLAIN NOW... I'LL GIVE YOU MY ANSWER IN TWO NIGHTS, DARLING!
I'VE WAITED A LIFETIME TO MEET SOMEONE LIKE YOU, LISA.. I GUESS I CAN WAIT TWO NIGHTS MORE TO KNOW YOU'LL BE MINE!

THEN DICK SPUN ME AROUND, AND MY DISTRESSFUL THOUGHTS SEEMED TO VANISH UNDER THE TINGLING SPELL OF HIS KISS...

THE NEXT DAY, I TOLD LISA WHAT HAD HAPPENED...
WON'T YOU LET ME OUT OF OUR AGREEMENT, SO I CAN TELL DICK THE TRUTH AND SEE IF HE STILL WANTS ME WHEN HE KNOWS I'M NOT YOU?
SORRY, MARY, BUT I THINK I'VE FINALLY MET "MR. RIGHT"! IF YOU TELL DICK WHO YOU ARE, WORD'S BOUND TO GET OUT, AND THAT MAY CHANGE THINGS WITH MY MAN!

YOU'RE RIGHT...IT WOULDN'T BE FAIR IF I SPOKE NOW! I WON'T TELL DICK THE TRUTH TILL WE DOCK!

THE NEXT TWO DAYS PASSED WITH AGONIZING SPEED, AND ON THE SECOND NIGHT, DICK PROPOSED AGAIN...
PLEASE, DICK! DON'T MAKE ME ANSWER YOU NOW! WAIT UNTIL AFTER WE DOCK!
NO, LISA! I LOVE YOU TOO MUCH TO HAVE TO WAIT ANOTHER NIGHT FOR YOUR ANSWER!

WHAT IF I SAY "YES" AND AFTER WE DOCK, YOU FIND OUT SOME TERRIBLE TRUTH ABOUT ME THAT YOU SHOULD HAVE KNOWN NOW!
NOTHING CAN CHANGE THE WAY I FEEL ABOUT YOU! I WON'T BELIEVE ANYTHING COULD MAKE ME STOP LOVING YOU! WILL YOU MARRY ME?

HOPING THAT MY LOVE FOR HIM HADN'T BLINDED ME TO THE WILES OF A CLEVER FORTUNE HUNTER, I GAVE MY WHISPERED ANSWER...

YES...

HIS LIPS WERE ON MINE, MAKING ME FORGET ALL THE NAGGING DOUBTS THAT MY MIND TRIED TO PLAGUE ME WITH...

THREE NIGHTS LATER, WE DOCKED, AND AFTER CLEARING CUSTOMS...

WELL, DARLING, WE'RE ASHORE! NOW WHAT'S YOUR "TERRIBLE" SECRET?

I'M **NOT** THE WOMAN YOU **THINK** I AM! I'M **NOT** A RICH HEIRESS!

BUT I'VE **KNOWN THAT** A LONG TIME, **MARY!**

YOU KNOW MY **REAL** NAME?

WHEN THE SHUFFLEBOARD DISK HIT YOUR FOOT, I SAW A BRACELET WITH "M.M.M." ON IT! GIRLS DON'T USUALLY WEAR SOMEONE **ELSE'S** ANKLE BRACELET, AND I CHECKED THE PASSENGER LIST! THERE WAS A MARY M. MERLE ON IT, AND WHEN I SAW **HER**, SHE WAS YOUR **DOUBLE!** I PUT TWO AND TWO TOGETHER AND REALIZED YOU WERE ONLY TAKING HER PLACE FOR THE TRIP!

BUT IF YOU KNEW THAT ALL ALONG, WHY DIDN'T YOU CALL ME BY MY **RIGHT** NAME BEFORE THIS?

I WANTED TO SEE IF YOU HAD CHARACTER ENOUGH TO STICK TO YOUR AGREEMENT AND KEEP YOUR REAL IDENTITY SECRET... AND TO LEARN IF YOU HAD ENOUGH FAITH IN MY LOVE TO SAY "YES" WITHOUT FEARING I WAS A FORTUNE HUNTER!

THE TRIP WAS OVER, THE MASQUERADE HAD ENDED, AND NOW I WAS TO CHANGE MY NAME AGAIN...BUT THIS TIME, FOR KEEPS!

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YES, DOCTOR! WILL THE MORNING DO? I HAVE TO FINISH THIS REPORT FOR DR. ALDEN!
I'D WANTED TO MARRY A DOCTOR EVER SINCE I'D BEEN A LITTLE GIRL! THAT PROBABLY INFLUENCED MY DECISION TO WORK FOR THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT! I WAS OLDER NOW, AND I DIDN'T WORSHIP DOCTORS, BUT I STILL THOUGHT THEY WERE WONDERFUL MEN!
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NO MATTER HOW MANY FELLOWS I DATED, NONE OF THEM SEEMED TO INTEREST ME! EVEN THEIR WORK SEEMED UNIMPORTANT NEXT TO A DOCTOR'S...
I TOLD HIM...I SAID HE SHOULD WAIT TO SEE THE NEXT PROMOTION LIST IN THE SALES OFFICE. THEN HE'D SEE THIS FELLOW JUMP TO THE TOP OF THE HEAP!
YOU HAVE SO MUCH CONFIDENCE IN YOURSELF, JOE... THAT'S A WONDERFUL ASSET!

THE DOCTOR WHO REALLY SET MY HEART SKIPPING WAS DR. ALDEN, THE PEDIATRICIAN, BUT HE WAS COMPLETELY UNAWARE OF ME!
HERE IS THAT REPORT, DR. ALDEN! I MADE A FEW EXTRA COPIES IN CASE YOU NEED THEM!
THANK YOU VERY MUCH! JUST LEAVE THEM ON MY DESK!
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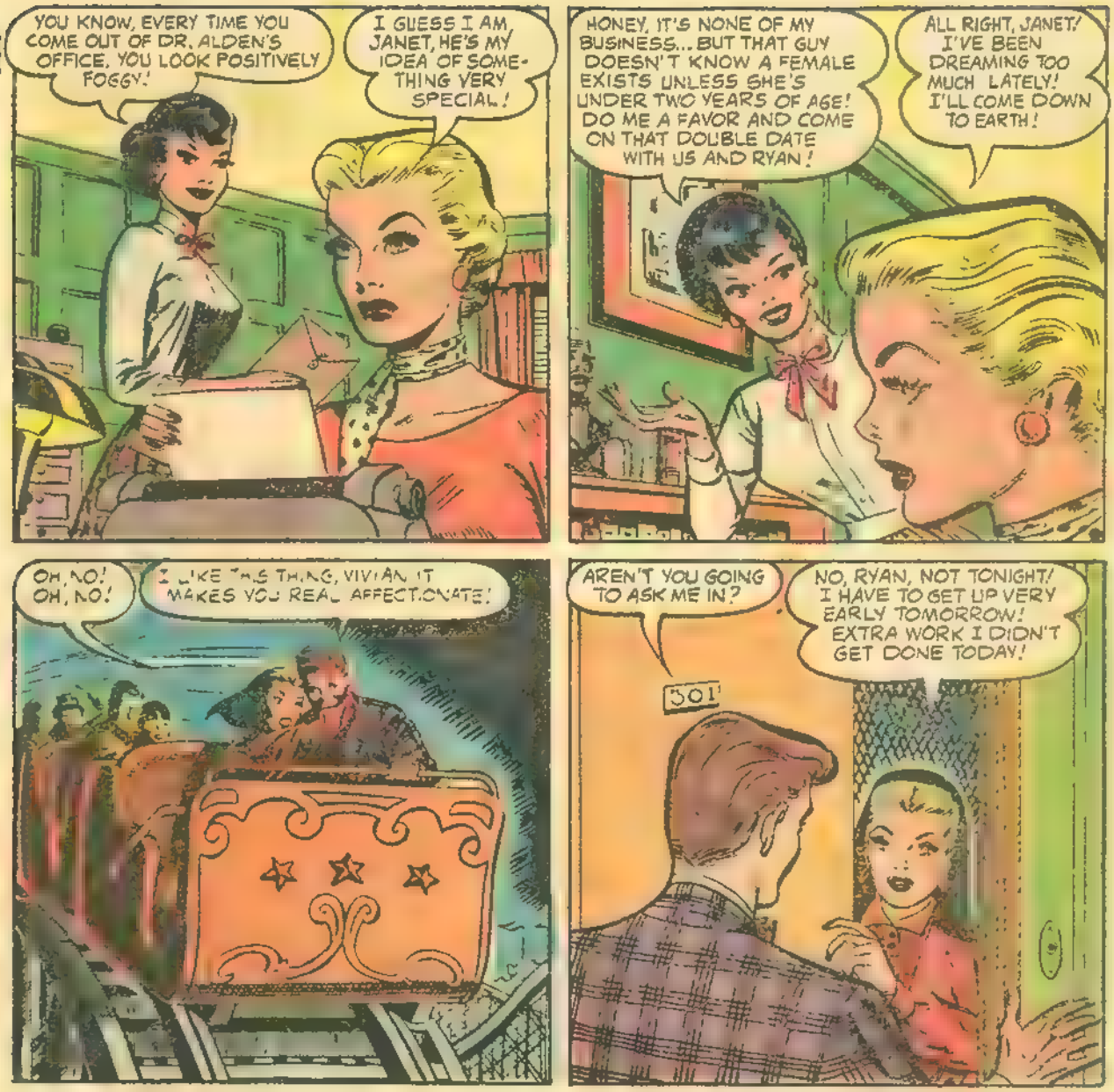
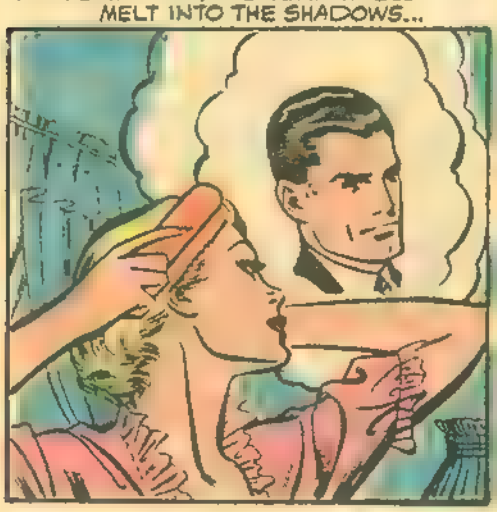

YOU KNOW, EVERY TIME YOU COME OUT OF DR. ALDEN'S OFFICE, YOU LOOK POSITIVELY FOGGY!
I GUESS I AM, JANET, HE'S MY IDEA OF SOMETHING VERY SPECIAL!
HONEY, IT'S NONE OF MY BUSINESS... BUT THAT GUY DOESN'T KNOW A FEMALE EXISTS UNLESS SHE'S UNDER TWO YEARS OF AGE! DO ME A FAVOR AND COME ON THAT DOUBLE DATE WITH US AND RYAN!
ALL RIGHT, JANET! I'VE BEEN DREAMING TOO MUCH LATELY! I'LL COME DOWN TO EARTH!

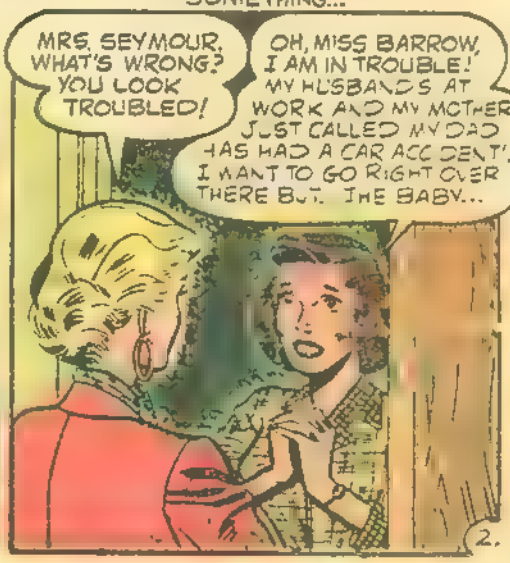
OH, NO! OH, NO!
I LIKE THIS THING, VIVIAN IT MAKES YOU REAL AFFECTIONATE!
AREN'T YOU GOING TO ASK ME IN?
NO, RYAN, NOT TONIGHT! I HAVE TO GET UP VERY EARLY TOMORROW! EXTRA WORK I DIDN'T GET DONE TODAY!
SO!

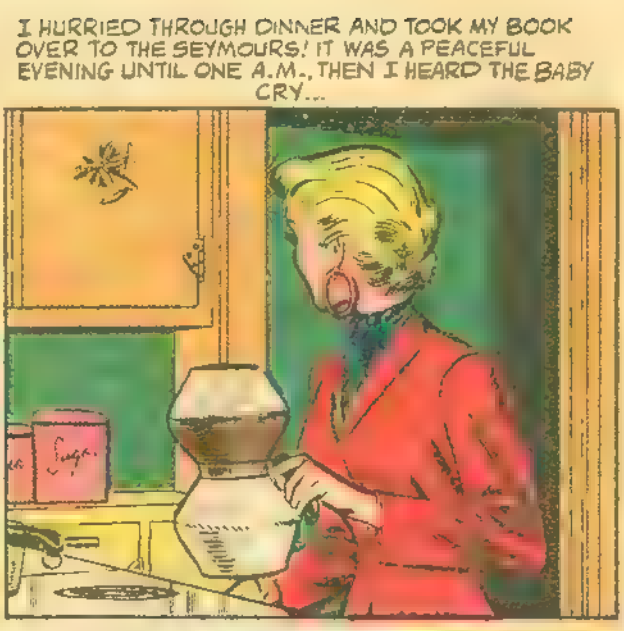
JANET WAS PROBABLY RIGHT! I NEEDED TO COME DOWN FROM MY DREAM WORLD AND LEARN TO LIKE A FELLOW LIKE RYAN! BUT AN IMAGE OF BEN ALDEN WOULD CROSS MY MIND, AND RYAN WOULD MELT INTO THE SHADOWS...



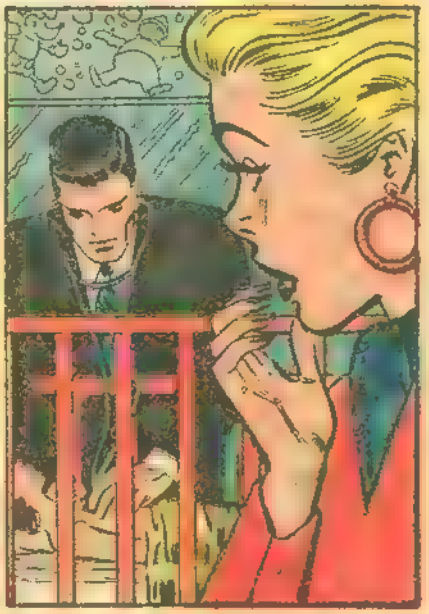
ONE NIGHT I WAS EATING DINNER IN MY APARTMENT WHEN THE FRONT BELL RANG...

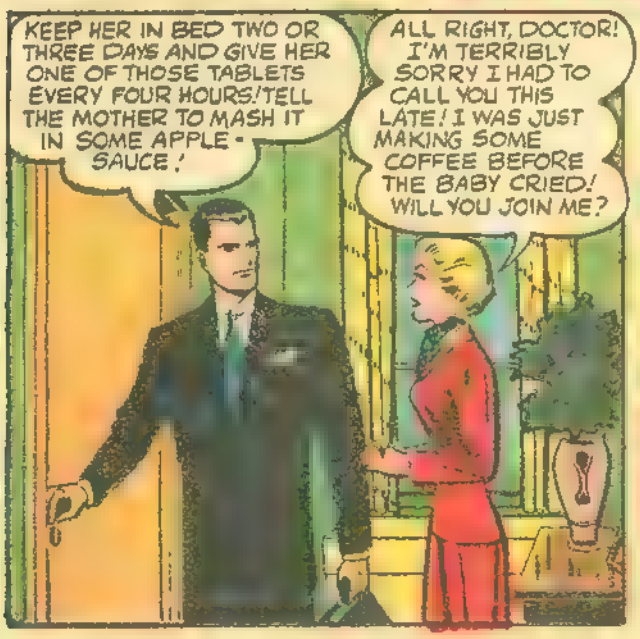
IT WAS MY NEIGHBOR, MRS. SEYMOUR! I COULD SEE SHE WAS WORRIED ABOUT SOMETHING...

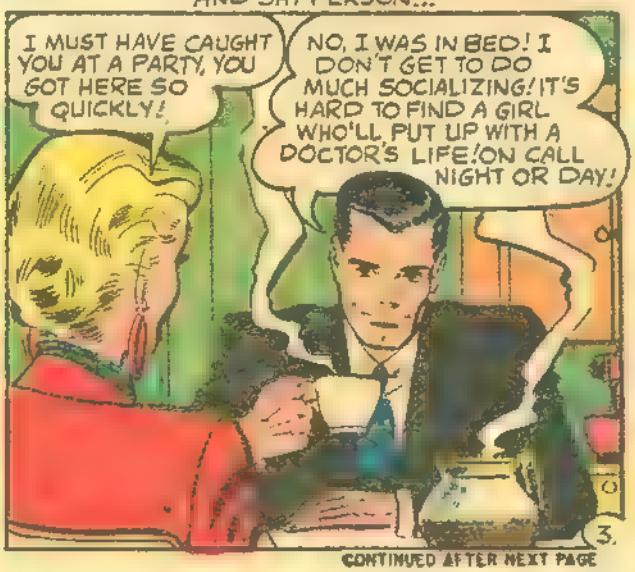

MRS. SEYMOUR, WHAT'S WRONG? YOU LOOK TROUBLED!
OH, MISS BARROW, I AM IN TROUBLE! MY HUSBAND'S AT WORK AND MY MOTHER JUST CALLED MY DAD HAS HAD A CAR ACCIDENT! I WANT TO GO RIGHT OVER THERE BUT THE BABY...


I HURRIED THROUGH DINNER AND TOOK MY BOOK OVER TO THE SEYMOURS! IT WAS A PEACEFUL EVENING UNTIL ONE A.M., THEN I HEARD THE BABY CRY...

DR. ALDEN, I'M BABY-SITTING FOR A MRS. SEYMOUR, AND THE BABY IS VERY SICK! HIGH FEVER AND... YES, YES, I DID THAT! OH, WOULD YOU? 118 HIGH STREET, APT. 4! THANKS, DOCTOR!




KEEP HER IN BED TWO OR THREE DAYS AND GIVE HER ONE OF THOSE TABLETS EVERY FOUR HOURS! TELL THE MOTHER TO MASH IT IN SOME APPLE-SAUCE!
ALL RIGHT, DOCTOR! I'M TERRIBLY SORRY I HAD TO CALL YOU THIS LATE! I WAS JUST MAKING SOME COFFEE BEFORE THE BABY CRIED! WILL YOU JOIN ME?


ONCE THE PROFESSIONAL STATUS WAS DROPPED I FOUND BENJAMIN ALDEN WAS A VERY SWEET AND SHY PERSON...
I MUST HAVE CAUGHT YOU AT A PARTY, YOU GOT HERE SO QUICKLY!
NO, I WAS IN BED! I DON'T GET TO DO MUCH SOCIALIZING! IT'S HARD TO FIND A GIRL WHO'LL PUT UP WITH A DOCTOR'S LIFE! ON CALL NIGHT OR DAY!

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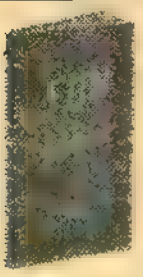

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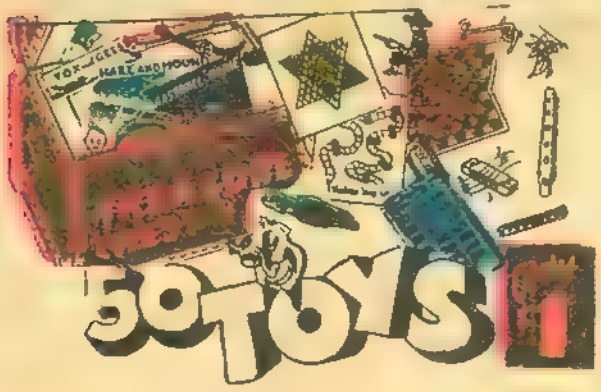

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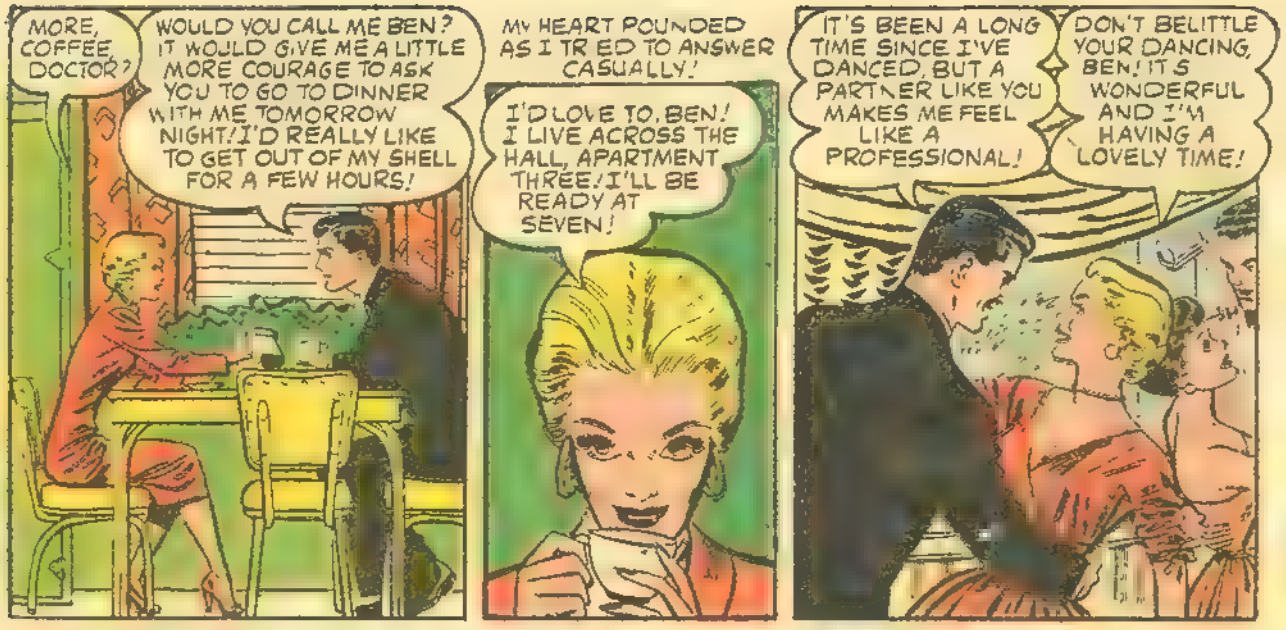
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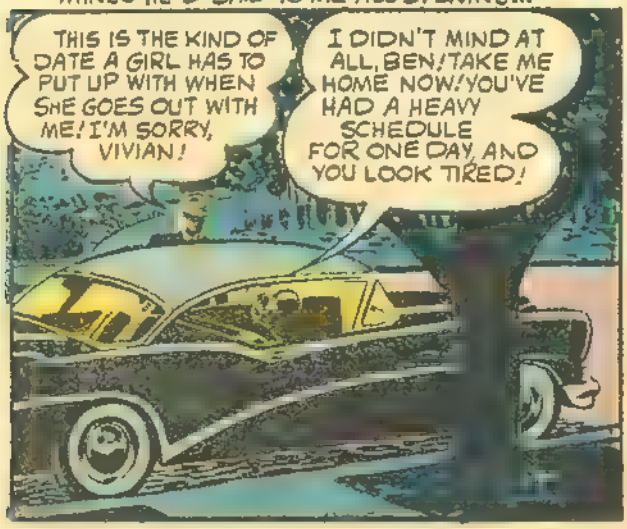
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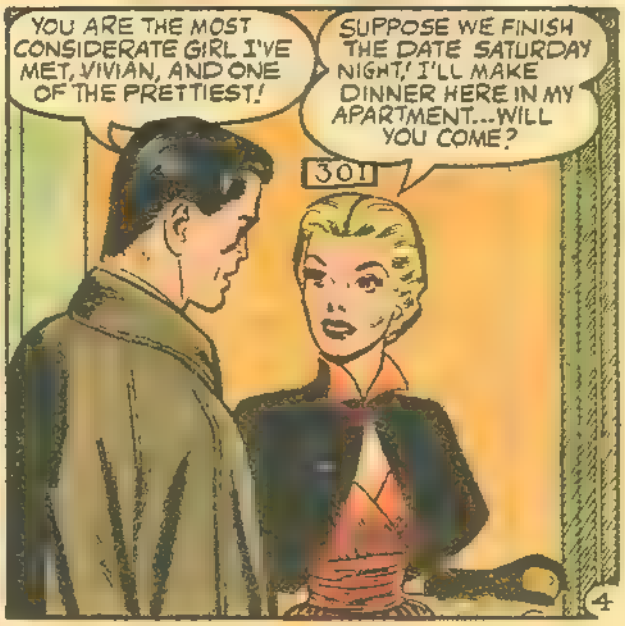
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YOU LOOK SINGULARLY PLEASED WITH YOURSELF TODAY! WHAT'S UP?
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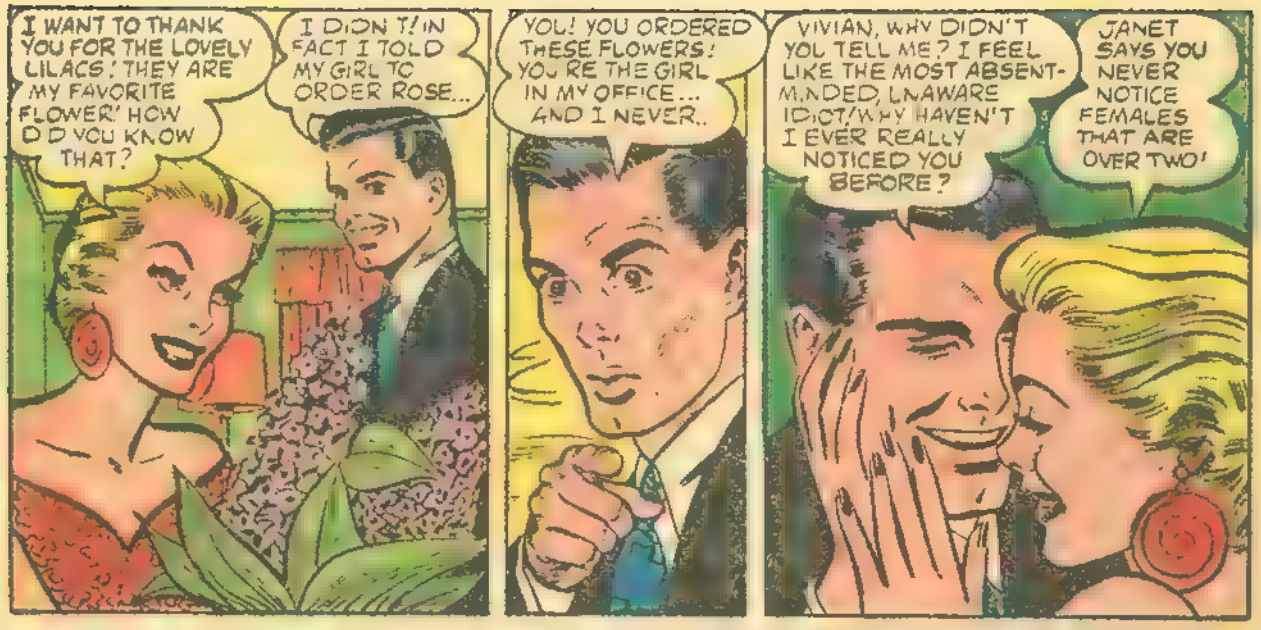
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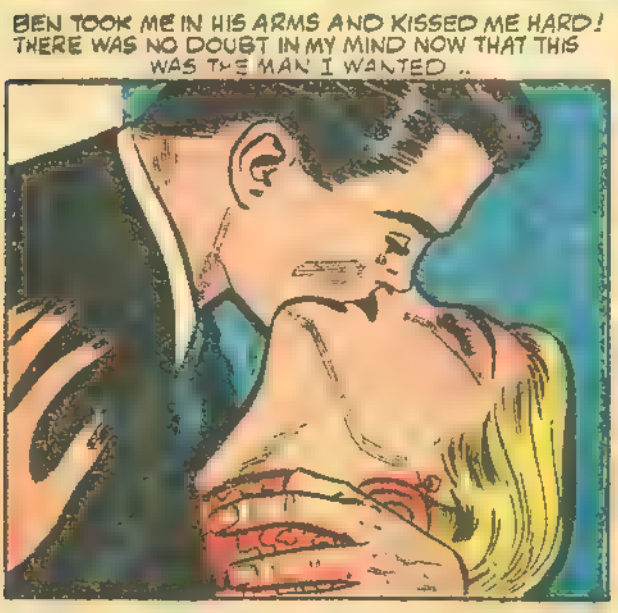

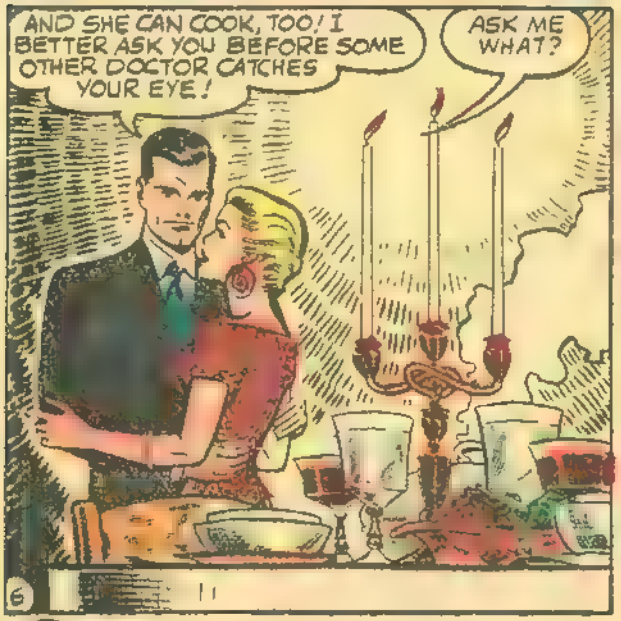

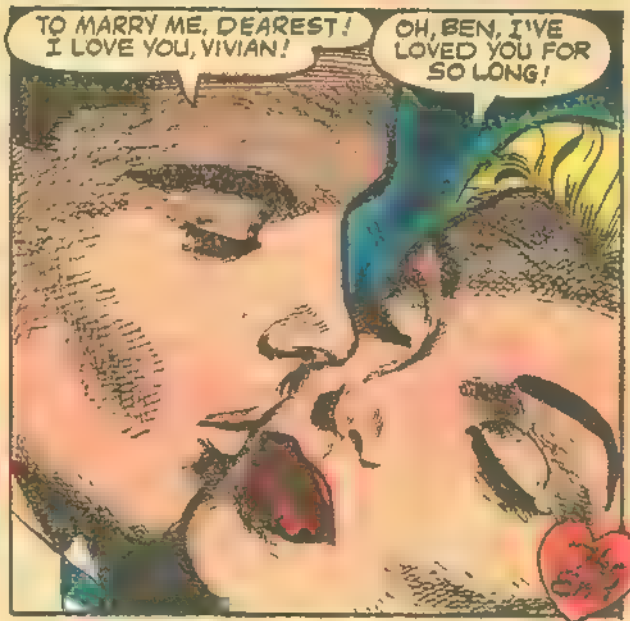

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IN between two high sand-dunes with only the tall grass, the golden sand, and the rough ocean crashing against the shores, were Keith and Karen. He had heaped some sand together to make a pillow for her, and she slept with her head resting in the sand. Her hair was a rich brown, and now with the sun blazing down on it, it took on a fiery red hue. Keith thought he had never seen hair so beautiful . . . He reached out and began to stroke her hair the way a little child pats a kitten . . . each stroke a token of love and affection.

Karen opened her eyes and found Keith smiling as he gazed at her. "Happy, darling?" he asked. She really didn't have to answer with words, for the expression on her face told him that she had never been happier. She smiled a "yes" and leaned over to be kissed. Keith held her tight, and then released her. Her head found the soft sand again, and she closed her eyes. Her long lashes created two shadows beneath her eyes. No people other than the two of them were around. He thought to himself that a year ago Karen could never been happy here. A year ago . . . so much had happened to change their lives in that year.

Last year at this time, the company that Keith worked for was having its annual Labor Day Dinner-Dance. Mr. Barnes, the president of the firm had rented the roof garden of the finest hotel in town. Everything was beautiful that night . . . the air was crisp, the moon shown brightly, the stars formed an enchanting ceiling for all to dance under. Small round tables for four were arranged in a circle around the dance floor. On each table was a red and white checkered table cloth and an emptied wine bottle now filled with a candle.

Keith had brought Nancy, a girl he dated fairly often but wasn't crazy about. At the table with them were Brad, another of the firm's young engineers, and his girl. Brad made the introductions, and Karen, his date, smiled, turned to Brad, and said, "Mind if I dance with your friend? Come on, Keith, let's see if you dance as well as Brad does." She was the first to rise, and extended her hand waiting for Keith to escort her to the floor.

"Aggressive little thing, isn't she?" Nancy said to Brad.

"That's Karen," replied Brad. "She never sits back to let things come to her. She sees what she wants and ups and gets it. Between her always flirting with other men, and men always flirting with her, it's kind of hard to get to know her well."

"Frankly, Brad, I don't care particularly whether or not *you* get to know her well, as long as *Keith doesn't!*"

"You don't have to worry about that," Brad answered. "One person can't hold Karen's interest for long. She's happy only when twenty-nine people are paying attention to her. She is beautiful, isn't she?" asked Brad.

Although Nancy didn't like to admit it, she was about to agree, when Keith and Karen returned to the table. "Looks like I'll have to teach Keith to dance," Karen laughed. Keith was delighted to hear her say that, because it meant having a chance to be with Karen again during the evening. He couldn't believe what had happened to him during those few minutes they had danced together. He had fallen in love . . . instantly and definitely. She was everything he knew he always wanted.

Each time the band began to play, he had hoped to be able to dance with Karen again. But that chance didn't come. Most of the other men at the affair had the same idea, and Karen was quite receptive to all of their attentions. Each time someone asked her to dance, she would turn to Brad and say, "You don't mind, do you, darling?"

"You can't be the jealous type if you take out a girl like Karen," Brad said. Keith wondered how Brad could stand it. If she were with me, Keith thought, she'd have to be with me every minute.

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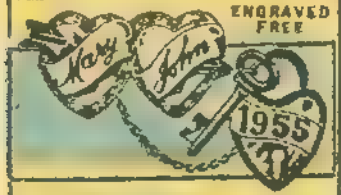

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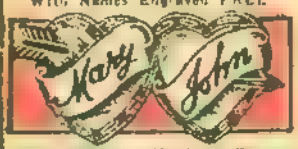

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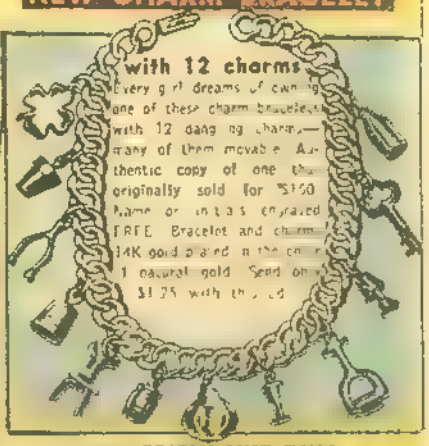

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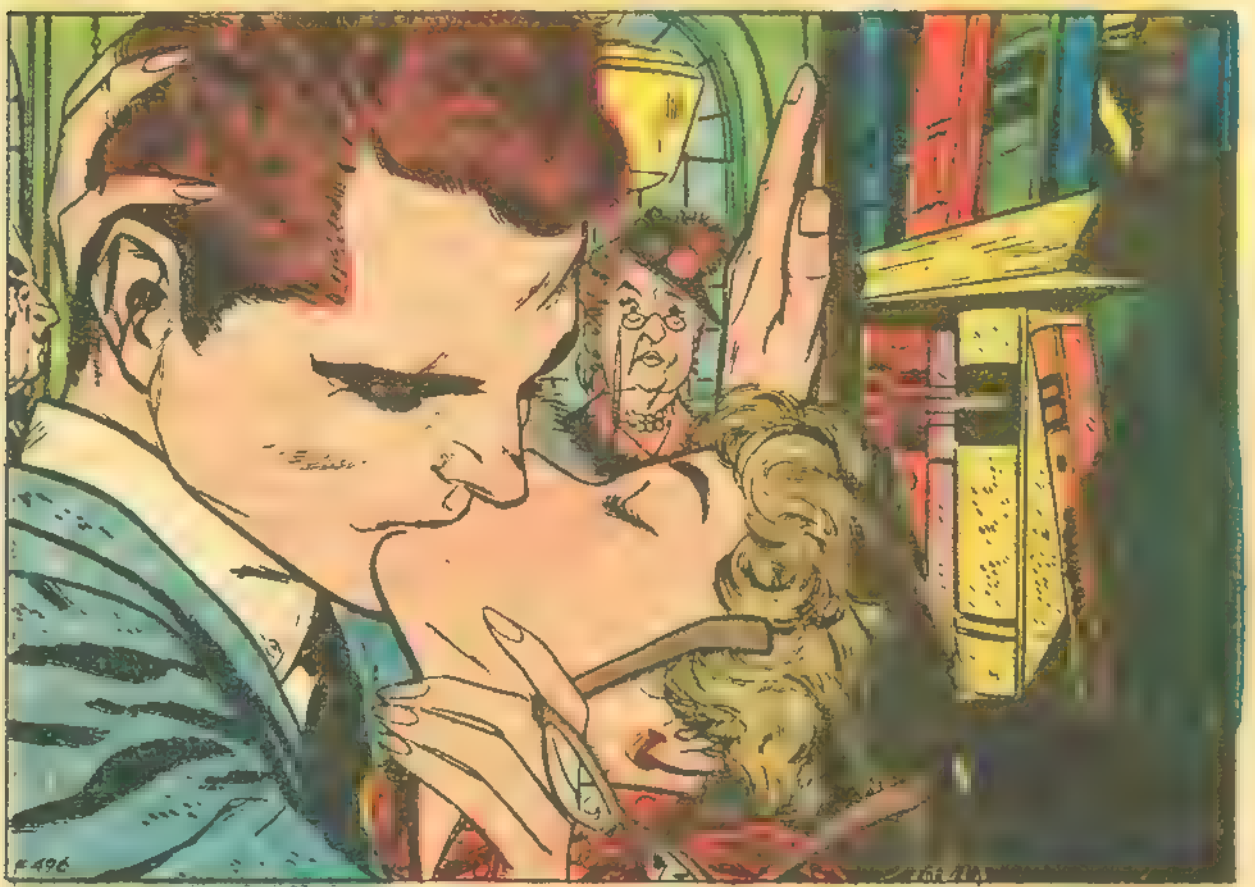

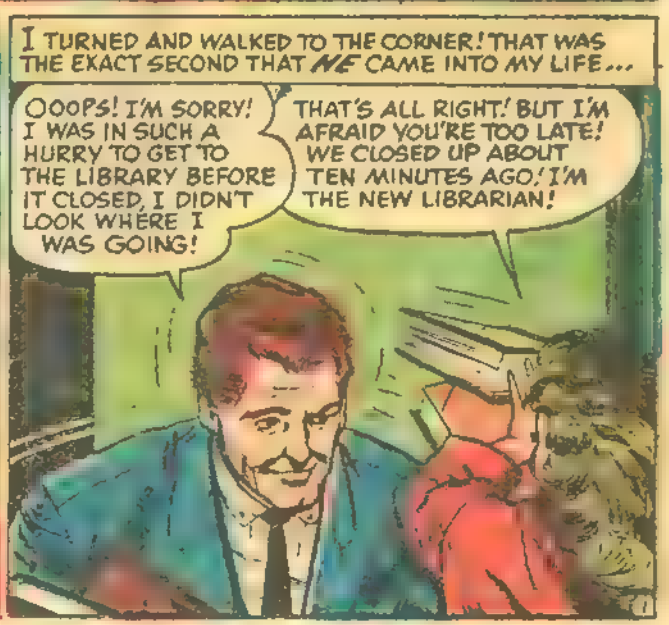
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THE HOURS SEEMED TO DRIFT BY, AS IF IN A DREAM WORLD! HE HELD ME CLOSE, AND WE DANCED TILL THE EARLY MORNING HOURS...
I NEVER THOUGHT IT WOULD HAPPEN LIKE THIS, NANCY! I'VE FALLEN FOR YOU AT FIRST SIGHT!
OH, JERRY, THIS IS WONDERFUL!
WE CAME HOME WITH THE MILKMAN, LONG AFTER THE STARS HAD FLED... AND DAWN TINTED THE SKY...
I'M GOING TO SEE YOU TOMORROW NIGHT, AND EVERY DAY AND EVENING YOU'RE FREE!
ALL RIGHT, JERRY!
JERRY, I...
ME TOO, DARLING! YOU DON'T EVEN HAVE TO SAY IT!
IT WAS WONDERFUL TO TURN A CORNER AND RUN HEADLONG INTO LOVE! I KNEW THERE WAS A LOT WE HAD TO LEARN ABOUT EACH OTHER, BUT IT DIDN'T SEEM TO MATTER JUST THEN...
GOOD NIGHT, JERRY... DARLING!

SATURDAY DRAGGED BY WITH MADDENING SLOWNESS, AS I WAITED FOR EVENING, WHEN JERRY WOULD PICK ME UP..
HE'S SO HANDSOME! AND THAT HIGH FOREHEAD SHOWS HOW INTELLIGENT HE IS! HE'S PROBABLY A STRUGGLING WRITER!
WHEN HE CAME TO PICK ME UP, I COULD HARDLY CONCEAL MY EXCITEMENT...
YOU'RE GOING OUT ON A DATE... NOT TO THE PRESIDENT'S BALL! DON'T SHAKE LIKE THAT!
I GUESS I'M NOT USED TO BEING SWEPT OFF MY FEET!
IT WAS LATER, AT THE MOVIE, THAT I GOT THE HINT OF A RUDE AWAKENING...
CAN YOU IMAGINE GROWN MEN RUNNING AROUND AND BATTERING EACH OTHER OVER A LITTLE BALL? KIND OF CHILDISH!
I WOULDN'T GO SO FAR AS TO SAY THAT!
I FEEL I MUST TELL YOU NOW, NANCY... I'M A FOOTBALL PLAYER!
YOU'RE A FOOTBALL PLAYER? OH! I HAD NO IDEA!
WHAT'S WRONG WITH FOOTBALL? OR ARE YOU AGAINST ALL SPORTS?
PLEASE, JERRY, DON'T BE ANGRY! IT JUST SHOCKED ME TO HEAR IT! I THOUGHT WE HAD MORE IN COMMON!
DO YOU THINK WE'RE SO DIFFERENT, BECAUSE YOU ARE A LIBRARIAN... AN INTELLECTUAL?
I THINK WE ARE DIFFERENT NOW! IT WOULD NEVER WORK OUT! MAYBE WE'D BETTER JUST SAY GOOD-BYE AND GO OUR SEPARATE WAYS!
HE WAS ANGRY, AND I COULDN'T BLAME HIM! HE PULLED ME TOWARD HIM AND KISSED ME...
THEN THIS IS A LITTLE TOKEN TO REMEMBER ME BY!
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He tried to call me Sunday to apologize, but I told him I couldn't see him again! It was blue Monday when I returned to the library...
If only he hadn't been an athlete! We'd have had more in common, if he were a writer or an artist!
Could you tell me where I can find the shelf on French modern symbolists?
Third shelf on the right! You might try Rimbaud's last work! It's excellent!
I see they've finally gotten a librarian who not only stamps the outside of books but looks into them!
I saw at once that this young man was an intellectual... he was interested in books, just as I was...
Would you care to come down to Greenwich Village later? Some friends are having a party at Tony's place!
I'd love to go!
And so began a new venture into romance with someone who was very much like me in some ways...
It's fate that brought us together! Our minds are in tune! We're soul mates, Nancy!
You have such an expressive way of putting things, Karl... you overwhelm me!
But the moment he kissed me, I knew I had made a mistake! There was something missing... it was an empty gesture!
By the time Tony's was ready to close up, I discovered how right I was...
He can't pay! He never has money! The bill is $6.45!
I'll pay it! You seem to know him well... see that he gets home all right!
TONY
FREEDOM
For the second time in a week, I was disillusioned! All my dreams and hopes were smashed...
What's wrong with me? Why can't I enjoy simple happiness like other girls?
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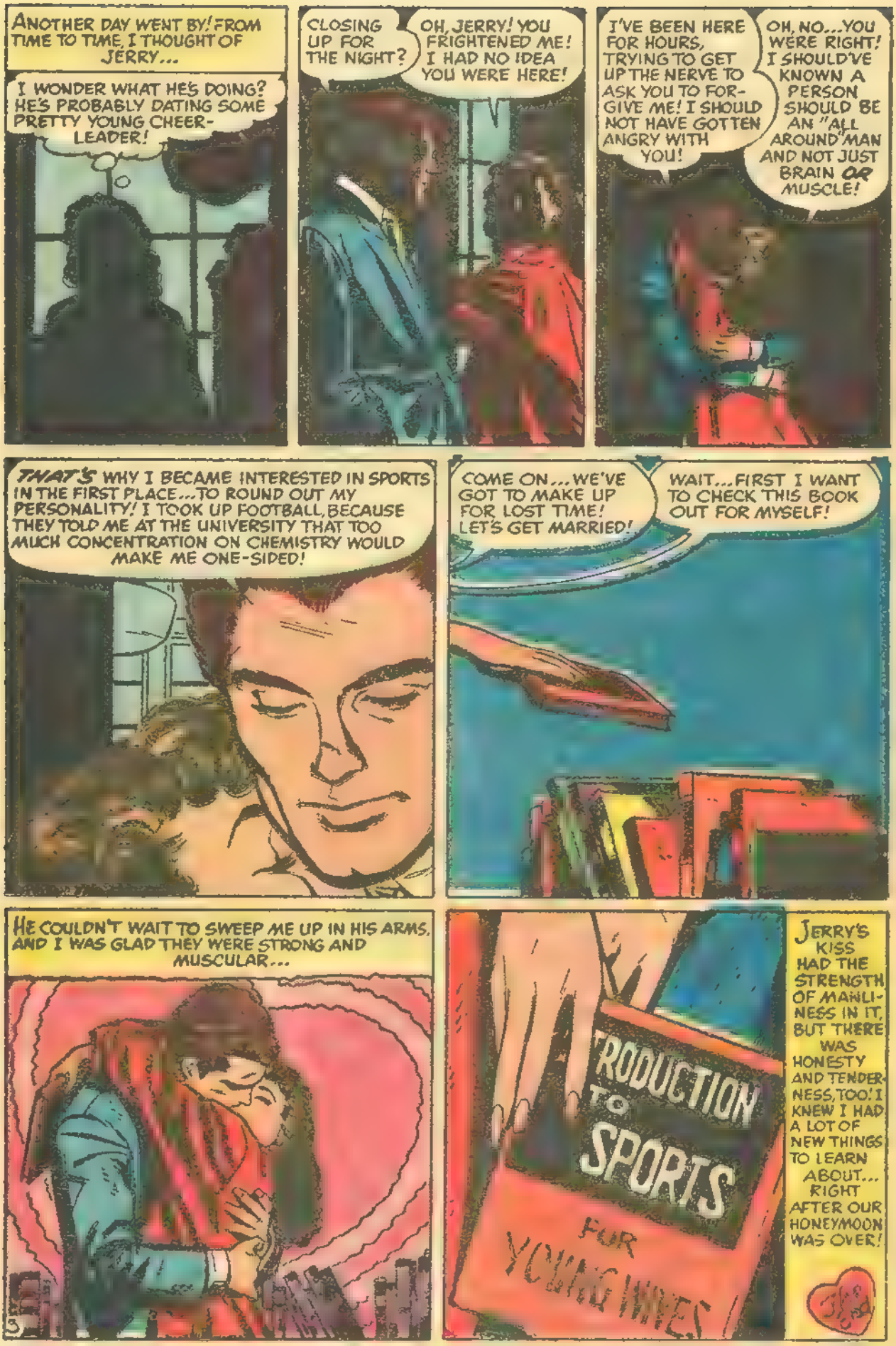
ANOTHER DAY WENT BY! FROM TIME TO TIME, I THOUGHT OF JERRY...
I WONDER WHAT HE'S DOING? HE'S PROBABLY DATING SOME PRETTY YOUNG CHEER-LEADER!
CLOSING UP FOR THE NIGHT?
OH, JERRY! YOU FRIGHTENED ME! I HAD NO IDEA YOU WERE HERE!
I'VE BEEN HERE FOR HOURS, TRYING TO GET UP THE NERVE TO ASK YOU TO FORGIVE ME! I SHOULD NOT HAVE GOTTEN ANGRY WITH YOU!
OH, NO...YOU WERE RIGHT! I SHOULD'VE KNOWN A PERSON SHOULD BE AN "ALL AROUND" MAN AND NOT JUST BRAIN OR MUSCLE!
THAT'S WHY I BECAME INTERESTED IN SPORTS IN THE FIRST PLACE...TO ROUND OUT MY PERSONALITY! I TOOK UP FOOTBALL, BECAUSE THEY TOLD ME AT THE UNIVERSITY THAT TOO MUCH CONCENTRATION ON CHEMISTRY WOULD MAKE ME ONE-SIDED!
COME ON...WE'VE GOT TO MAKE UP FOR LOST TIME! LET'S GET MARRIED!
WAIT...FIRST I WANT TO CHECK THIS BOOK OUT FOR MYSELF!
HE COULDN'T WAIT TO SWEEP ME UP IN HIS ARMS, AND I WAS GLAD THEY WERE STRONG AND MUSCULAR...
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RODUCTION TO SPORTS FOR YOUNG WIVES
JERRY'S KISS HAD THE STRENGTH OF MANLINESS IN IT, BUT THERE WAS HONESTY AND TENDERNESS, TOO! I KNEW I HAD A LOT OF NEW THINGS TO LEARN ABOUT... RIGHT AFTER OUR HONEYMOON WAS OVER!
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The evening passed quickly. It was a wonderful night and Keith hated to see it end, because he didn't know when he would ever see Karen again. When they said good night, she shook hands with Keith and squeezed his hand meaningfully. "I hope to see you again," she said, as she turned to Brad and walked out with her escort.

Keith could hardly fall asleep that night. The next day at the office, he asked Brad if it would be all right if he called Karen. Brad gave him her telephone number and wished him luck.

Keith wasted little time. He called her that night. "Hello, Karen . . . this is the guy with the two left feet!"

"Jimmy," she said gaily, "I'm so glad you phoned. If you're calling to find out when I'm going to teach you to dance, how about tonight?"

"Karen," Keith answered, "I hate to disappoint you, but this isn't Jimmy . . . it's Keith!"

Karen, embarrassed, but poised, wiggled her way out of the situation. "I know, silly! I just wanted to see how you would react. I can tell just by the way you answered that you aren't the jealous type, and that's just fine." Keith agreed that he wasn't the jealous type, but deep down, he knew that he was lying. When she called him Jimmy, he flushed with anger, but knew he had to control it.

Karen and Keith dated constantly from their first date on. He loved her from the start, and she fell in love with him too. There was only one problem . . . her constant seeking of flattery and attention from others. She did love him, and her love was real. Each kiss proved that to Keith, but she never realized what it did to Keith when she paid attention to other men.

If they played a double match in tennis, she would flirt with her opponent. If they went to a dance, she would dance with just about everybody. These other people meant nothing to her . . . it was just the way she was. And Keith, although worried inside, never uttered a word of complaint.

One night Keith decided he had to play Karen's game. They went to a dance and Keith danced one dance with Karen and then spent most of the night dancing with everyone else's girl. "Darling," Karen finally said, "I don't think you're very fair. Each time I look around, I see you dancing with another girl, and I just die inside. Is that the way you treat someone you love?"

Keith looked at her long and hard. "I don't know, Karen . . . *what do you think?*" He didn't have to say more. She understood. In that one moment, all the things that she used to do passed quickly through her mind. She kissed him and a tear dropped on his cheek . . . a tear of sorrow for all the moments of unhappiness she had caused him. "Sweetheart," she said softly, "I love you more than ever for teaching me such a big thing in such a little way."

Here they were, a year later, just the two of them, basking in the sun, with no one but Keith to tell Karen that she was beautiful or that she danced divinely. And she didn't miss it. She was perfectly happy with *his* love and *only* his.

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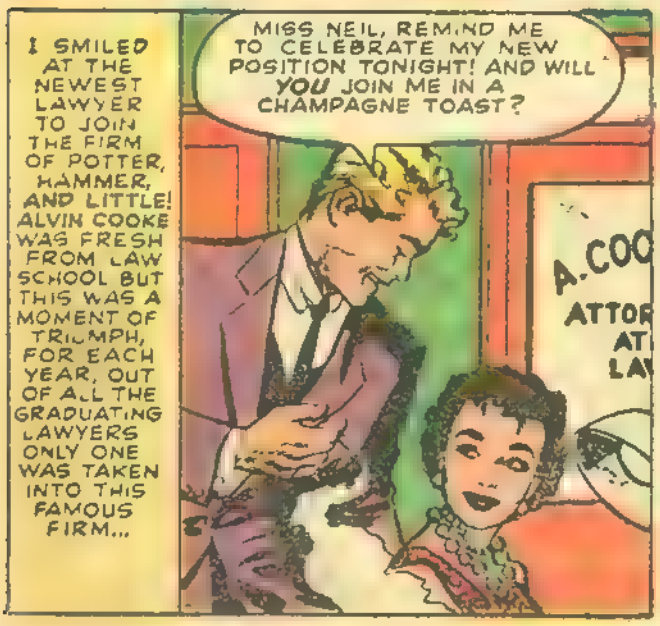
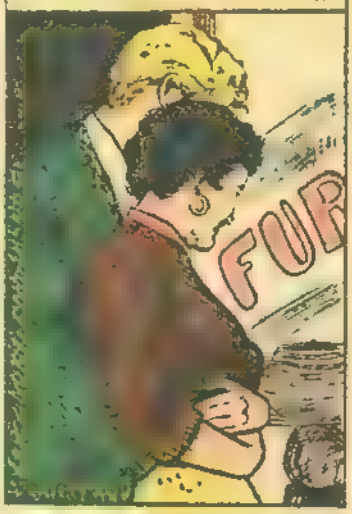
AND THIS, MR COOKE, IS YOUR OFFICE! IF YOU WANT ME FOR DICTATION OR TO ASK ME ANYTHING, PRESS THE BUZZER!
MAYBE YOU'D BETTER LEAVE THE DOOR OPEN TODAY... I'LL HAVE A MILLION QUESTIONS AND I'LL JUST WEAR OUT THE BUZZER RINGING YOU!


I SMILED AT THE NEWEST LAWYER TO JOIN THE FIRM OF POTTER, HAMMER, AND LITTLE! ALVIN COOKE WAS FRESH FROM LAW SCHOOL BUT THIS WAS A MOMENT OF TRIUMPH, FOR EACH YEAR, OUT OF ALL THE GRADUATING LAWYERS ONLY ONE WAS TAKEN INTO THIS FAMOUS FIRM...
MISS NEIL, REMIND ME TO CELEBRATE MY NEW POSITION TONIGHT! AND WILL *YOU* JOIN ME IN A CHAMPAGNE TOAST?

THAT NIGHT I FOUND MYSELF SEATED OPPOSITE A CHARMING AND EXUBERANT YOUNG LAWYER...
TO THE FIRM... POTTER, HAMMER, LITTLE... *AND* COOKE!

ONE DATE LED TO ANOTHER AND SOON I FOUND MY FAVORITE ESCORT WAS ALVIN...

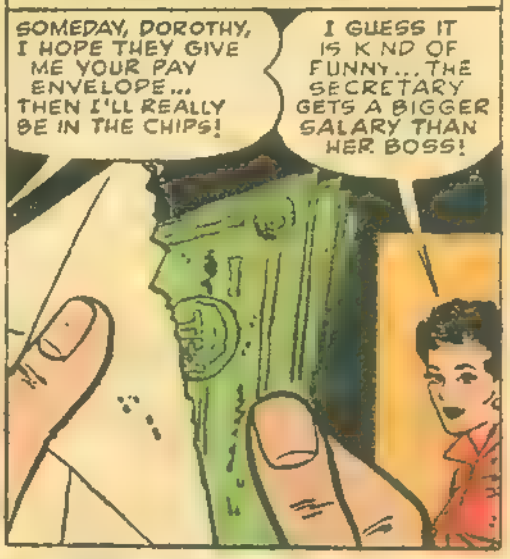
AND I ALSO LEARNED THAT IT WASN'T HARD TO TAKE ALVIN FROM NINE TO FIVE AT THE OFFICE AND THEN SEE HIM AGAIN AT NIGHT...



FR'DAY WAS PAYDAY AND IT USUALLY BROUGHT THE INEVITABLE IRONIC COMMENT FROM ALVIN...

SOMEDAY, DOROTHY, I HOPE THEY GIVE ME YOUR PAY ENVELOPE... THEN I'LL REALLY BE IN THE CHIPS!

I GUESS IT IS KIND OF FUNNY... THE SECRETARY GETS A BIGGER SALARY THAN HER BOSS!



WHEN YOU BEGIN AT THE BOTTOM WITH A BIG FIRM LIKE THIS, AND YOU'RE MARKED FOR EVENTUAL ADVANCEMENT, THEY ALWAYS START YOU OFF ON A SMALL SALARY... BUT THERE'S SECURITY BEING WITH AN OUTFIT LIKE THIS!

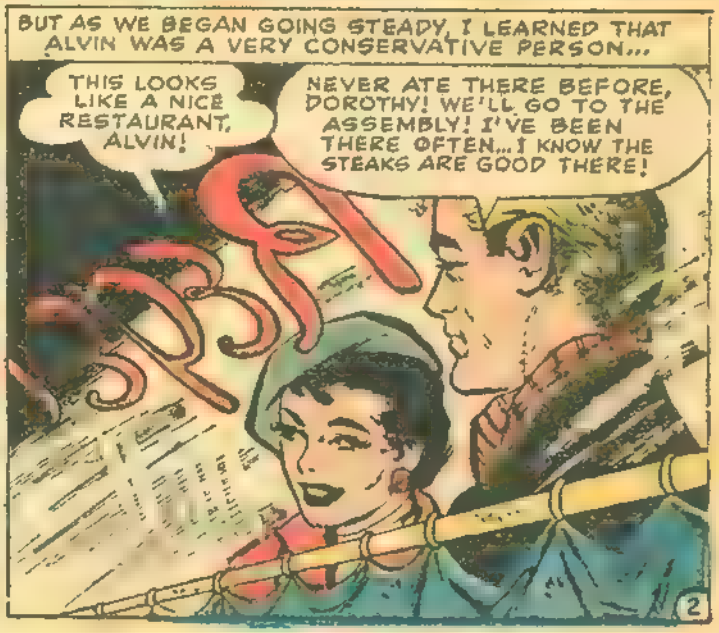
YES, ALVIN WAS CONTENT TO START AT THE BOTTOM FOR HE KNEW THAT SOMEDAY, BY A SYSTEM OF PROMOTION, HE'D BE ON TOP!

ALVIN WAS A YOUNG MAN WHO KNEW WHERE HE WAS GOING... THERE WAS ASSURANCE IN HIS MANNER, AND THAT MASCULINE SURENESS MADE OUR FIRST KISS ALL THE MORE EXCITING...

BUT AS WE BEGAN GOING STEADY, I LEARNED THAT ALVIN WAS A VERY CONSERVATIVE PERSON...

THIS LOOKS LIKE A NICE RESTAURANT, ALVIN!

NEVER ATE THERE BEFORE, DOROTHY! WE'LL GO TO THE ASSEMBLY! I'VE BEEN THERE OFTEN... I KNOW THE STEAKS ARE GOOD THERE!



WHENEVER WE HAD A DATE, I COULD REST ASSURED THAT ALVIN HAD CAREFULLY PLANNED OUT THE WHOLE EVENING...
AFTER WE SEE THE MOVIE AT THE PALACE, WE CAN GO TO THE ICE CREAM PARLOR FOR SODAS!
FINE, BUT SOME NIGHT I'M GOING TO GO OUT WITH YOU WITHOUT HAVING MADE PLANS!
BUT THERE WERE SOME THINGS WE BOTH PLANNED ON...
ONE SATURDAY, AS WE WORKED OVERTIME, ALVIN TRIED OUT THE JUNIOR PARTNER'S DESK CHAIR...
HOW DO I LOOK IN IT? OF COURSE, BY THE TIME I GET HERE, IN FIVE YEARS, I'LL BE BALD AND FAT!
MIGHT AS WELL TRY A SENIOR PARTNER'S CHAIR FOR SIZE TOO, DARLING!
AH, THE HEIGHTS OF OLYMPUS! BUT I WON'T GET MY ADMISSION TICKET TO THIS PLACE FOR ANOTHER TEN OR FIFTEEN YEARS!
YES, ALVIN HAD HIS FUTURE CAREFULLY PLANNED, AND RIGHT NOW HE WAS LAYING ITS FOUNDATION, FILING BRIEFS AND PLEADING IN COURT... I HAD ONE OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR HIM ARGUE AN IMPORTANT CASE... HE SPOKE FORCEFULLY AND BRILLIANTLY!
AND WHEN THE JURY DECIDED IN OUR CLIENT'S FAVOR, THE JUDGE TOOK THE UNUSUAL STEP OF CALLING ALVIN TO THE BENCH...
YOUR PRESENTATION OF YOUR CASE, COUNSELOR, WAS THE FINEST I'VE HEARD IN TEN YEARS ON THE BENCH!
THANK YOU, YOUR HONOR!
ALVIN, DO YOU KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS? YOU'RE MADE! THE JUDGE'S COMMENT GOES IN THE RECORD... WORD WILL GET AROUND! THIS IS YOUR CHANCE! YOU CAN LEAVE THE FIRM AND START ON YOUR OWN!
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NO, DOROTHY, THE BIG BOYS AT THE OFFICE WILL READ THE RECORD, TOO! IT'LL PROBABLY MEAN A RAISE! MY FUTURE IS WITH THE FIRM!
ALVIN DID GET HIS RAISE! NOTHING WOULD ALTER HIS PLANS TO MAKE THE SLOW, SURE RISE WITHIN A RESPECTED FIRM, RATHER THAN GAMBLE ON HIS OWN ABILITY ALONE...
BUT I COULDN'T HELP FEELING ENVIOUS WHEN I SAW OTHER COUPLES SHOPPING TO FURNISH THEIR FUTURE HOMES...
I'M SURE ALVIN LOVES ME... BUT WHAT GOOD WILL THAT DO? HE CAN'T EVEN AFFORD TO ASK ME TO MARRY HIM!
AS MY FRIENDS BECAME ENGAGED, I FOUND MYSELF ENVYING THEIR SHOWER PARTIES...
YOU'VE BEEN GOING STEADY, HAVEN'T YOU, DOROTHY? GUESS YOU'RE NEXT ON THE SHOWER PARTY LIST!
MAYBE...
WELL, WHEN YOU DO GET ENGAGED MAKE SURE YOUR FIANCE DOESN'T SET A WEDDING DATE WAY OFF IN THE FUTURE! WE'VE A YEAR TO GO BEFORE I'LL HEAR WEDDING BELLS... SEEMS LIKE FOREVER!
WHEN THE PARTY BROKE UP, MY THOUGHTS TURNED SADLY TO MY OWN FUTURE...
IT'LL BE FOUR YEARS BEFORE ALVIN WILL BE A JUNIOR PARTNER AND MAKE A GOOD ENOUGH LIVING TO GET MARRIED!
BUT THAT NIGHT HIS WORDS SEEMED TO DISPEL MY GLOOM...
MY HEART'S PREPARED A BRIEF ABOUT YOU, DOROTHY... BUT THE SUMMATION CAN BE STATED IN THREE WORDS... I LOVE YOU!
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IT'S TOO LONG TO WAIT UNTIL ALVIN'S POSITION PAYS HIM ENOUGH FOR US TO MARRY! BUT I CAN'T ASK HIM TO GIVE UP HIS POSITION WITH THE FIRM... TO MAKE HIM QUIT WOULD BE UNFAIR TO HIM!
I SAW THERE WAS ONLY ONE SOLUTION... I HAD TO MAKE THE STEP THAT WOULD START THE BREAK! I WROTE A NOTE TO THE SENIOR PARTNER...
I TOOK A JOB WITH ANOTHER FIRM, GIVING ALVIN AN EXCUSE THAT HARDLY SATISFIED HIM... BUT THE FIRST STEP IN OUR BREAK WAS MADE... FIVE DAYS A WEEK, WE WERE APART...
I STILL SAW ALVIN. BUT I CUT DOWN OUR DATES.
DARLING, I STILL CAN'T FIGURE OUT WHY YOU LEFT THE FIRM!
LET'S JUST SKIP IT! IT'S DONE AND WE CAN'T CHANGE THINGS!
THERE WAS SADNESS IN ALVIN'S VOICE... HE LOVED ME DEEPLY AND MY LOVE FOR HIM ALMOST MADE ME CHANGE MY MIND...
NO... GOT TO KEEP A GRIP ON MY HEART! A FEW WEEKS MORE AND IT'LL BE ALL OVER FOR KEEPS!
THEN ONE NIGHT, AS ALVIN'S KISS AROUSED ALL MY LOVE AGAIN I STEELED MY HEART FOR THE BITTER MOMENT TO COME...
GOOD NIGHT!
NO, ALVIN... THAT KISS WAS GOOD-BYE!
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DOROTHY, DO YOU REALIZE WHAT YOU'RE SAYING?
YES, ALVIN...AND IT ISN'T EASY TO SAY GOOD-BYE TO YOU! BUT I'VE THOUGHT IT OUT...THERE'S NO OTHER COURSE LEFT!
AS THE LONELY NIGHTS DRAGGED BY, I KNEW THE MISERY OF SHATTERED LOVE...
BUT WHAT ELSE COULD I HAVE DONE? I COULDN'T WAIT...AND ALVIN WANTED THE SECURITY OF STAYING IN THE FIRM! IT'LL TAKE TIME, BUT I'LL GET OVER HIM!
TWO MONTHS LATER, ALVIN WANTED ME TO JOIN HIM FOR LUNCH! I WAS JUST GETTING OVER HIM, BUT ALVIN INSISTED! AS WE SAT THERE, I KNEW THE OLD LOVE STILL SURVIVED...
I'D LIKE YOU TO SEE MY NEW OFFICE! WILL YOU COME?
JUST FOR A MINUTE! WHOSE OFFICE DO YOU HAVE NOW... TED'S OR JIM'S?
I'M IN NEITHER OF THEIR OFFICES! WAIT A MINUTE! YOU'RE GOING THE WRONG WAY!
AFTER ALL THESE YEARS I OUGHT TO KNOW WHERE POTTER, HAMMER, AND LITTLE IS LOCATED!
BUT I'M NOT WITH THAT FIRM ANY LONGER! HERE'S MY OFFICE!
ALVIN... YOU'RE ON YOUR OWN!
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I THOUGHT A POSITION IN A BIG FIRM MEANT SECURITY! THAT'S WHY I FELT LUCKY WHEN THEY TOOK ME IN! BUT WHEN YOU LEFT ME, I REALIZED I'D LOST A GREATER SECURITY... LOVE! I'M NOT AFRAID TO FACE AN UNPLANNED FUTURE ON MY OWN NOW IF YOU'LL ALWAYS BE BY MY SIDE!
MY LIPS TOLD ALVIN I ACCEPTED AN EQUAL PARTNERSHIP WITH HIM IN LIFE! I CLUNG TO MY MAN, KNOWING SOON WE WOULD BE HEARING WEDDING BELLS!
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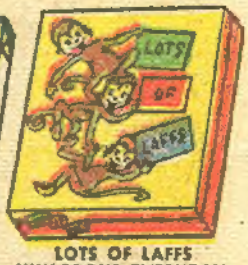

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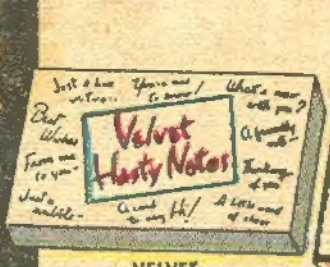

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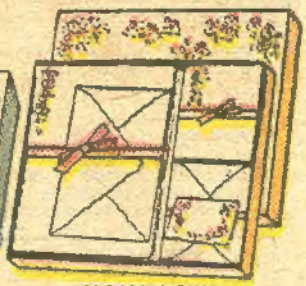

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Please rush free samples, other boxes on approval for FREE TRIAL and full details of your easy money-making plan.

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City_____ State_____

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COLONIAL STUDIOS, INC., Dept. 28-A, White Plains, New York

don't stay... SKINNY!

AMAZING NEW EASY WAY QUICKLY PUTS POUNDS and INCHES of SOLID FLESH on FACE, BODY, CHEST, ARMS and LEGS

Not a medicine, not merely vitamins. No drugs. No overeating. Instead a brand new concentrated meal with easy-to-digest wonder calories.

GO FROM THIS TO THIS

in 10 DAYS or your money back!

If you are skinny and embarrassed when you undress because of scrawny body, chest, arms, legs — mail the coupon for POUNDS PLUS. Now you can quickly put on 10 to 20 well-rounded pounds and more so fast it will amaze you. POUNDS PLUS is the newest discovery of medical science . . . entirely safe . . . not a drug . . . not a medicine. Instead, a delicious weight-adding tablet, jam-packed with wonder calories plus a secret substance that helps your body to build new pounds of healthy, attractive body weight. You gain solid good-looking flesh automatically wherever you need it — on face, neck, bust, arms, legs, ankles . . . Almost like magic, skinny, broom-stick figures fill out all over the body into a beautiful new "look" that wins popularity. POUNDS PLUS promotes appetite, new pep, vigor and red-blooded vitality. Don't be skinny . . . send for POUNDS PLUS today!

GAIN WEIGHT IN 7 DAYS OR DON'T PAY!

How may pounds would you like to gain? Now, anyone in normal health can quickly achieve a well-rounded, attractive figure in a matter of days with this amazing POUNDS PLUS plan . . . put on pounds and inches of solid good-looking flesh . . . If you're tired of being skinny, missing out on the fun and good times . . . try POUNDS PLUS Today.

FAMILY DOCTORS — Your recommendation is welcome. Send for professional samples.

NOW START GAINING WEIGHT IN 24 HOURS. Amazing, new POUNDS PLUS puts on weight faster than anything known to medical science. This secret concentrated food formula contains the miracle vitamins doctors use in hospitals to put on weight, plus bone-building Vitamin D, Red Vitamin B_{12} and 4 more remarkable weight-gaining and energy-building elements as proven in clinical tests. POUNDS PLUS improves the appetite, supplies quick pep and energy. Combats fatigue, sleepless nights, low resistance. Send for POUNDS PLUS TODAY!

FOR MEN, WOMEN, CHILDREN, CONVALESCENTS — POUNDS PLUS is extra rich. Each Daily Dose supplies more than the weight-adding calories of a full meal. Entirely safe, contains no drugs or stimulants. IF YOU LOSE APPETITE QUICKLY . . . If you fill up at meals and lose your appetite, take POUNDS PLUS — The all-in-one concentrated meal tablet that tastes delicious and works weight-gaining wonders.

YOU WOULDN'T RECOGNIZE THEM TODAY

"I went from 74 to 120 lbs."—I. K., Miami Beach, Fla.

"I thought being skinny ran in the family until I used POUNDS PLUS—gained weight the first week!"—R. B., Augusta, Me.

"Gained 18 pounds."—L. W., New York City

You owe it to yourself to try POUNDS PLUS.

POUNDS PLUS CO. Dept. 144 Box 820 New York 17, N. Y.

SEND NO MONEY TEST AT OUR RISK

Mail the coupon below for your generous supply of new POUNDS PLUS. On arrival pay $2.98 plus C.O.D. postage or $6 for the triple size on the guarantee if the first package doesn't increase your weight to your satisfaction, return the empty package for full money-back refund. Mail the coupon NOW! Children — get mom or dad to order for you.

MAIL THIS NO-RISK COUPON TODAY

POUNDS PLUS CO., Dept. 144
Box 820, New York 17, N. Y.

Send one package of POUNDS PLUS. I'll pay $2.98 plus C.O.D. postage on arrival, on guarantee I must be delighted with first package or money-back when I return the empty package. (Cash orders mailed postage prepaid.)

____Check here if you want 3 for $6 (save $3).

____I enclose payment. You pay postal charges.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zone ____ State ____

Enclose payment on APO, FPO, CANADIAN and Foreign Orders.

People "Go Crazy" Over These New Kinds of Greeting Cards

Secret Pal Cards
These cards are signed "Your Secret Pal" *until the last and revealing one!*

Contour-Cut Cards
These cards come in shape of Grandma's Teapot, Willoware Plate, etc

Cards That Do Things
These new cards expand, move, pop up, glisten, contain magical surprises.

Amazing New Toycards
Cards for children. Each contains a real gift—balloon, whistle, puzzles, etc.

"How It Has Helped Out"
"I'm no salesman. I just get permission to *show* the cards! The other day I got *one* order for $17.45. How it has helped out!"
—Mrs. Bill Withington, Wis.

NO WONDER FOLKS

Make Good Money

without taking a job or putting in regular hours

...AND WITHOUT EXPERIENCE. Why not try it yourself?

WHEN you show cards as new and unusual *as these* — you'll find it easy to make good money *all year 'round!*

Just let your friends, neighbors, and co-workers SEE these lovely Doehla All Occasion box assortments. Watch them marvel at the richly beautiful designs, the warm glowing colors; the exciting new features . . . magic surprises that POP UP . . . GLISTEN AND SPARKLE . . . EVEN CONTAIN VALUABLE GIFTS.

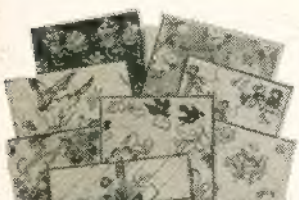
Your Friends Get a Bargain

Everybody these days buys greeting cards the year 'round. By ordering these assortments from YOU, your friends save themselves the bother of shopping. They get fine cards for even less than *ordinary* cards cost in the stores. They're sure of always having the right card on hand to cheer a sick friend or "remember" a birthday, anniversary, new baby, etc.

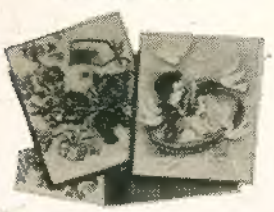
You Make Money

Your friends will thank you for "letting them in" on these wonderful bargains. And YOU make as much as 55¢ on each box ordered. Soon you have $50 or more to spend as you like. Our free book shows how anyone, young or old, can make money quickly this easy way.

New Ideas in "Personalized" and Decorated Stationery, Correspondence Cards, etc.



Gorgeous Super Crest Gift Wrappings — Matching Seals and Gift Folders



Gift and "Thank You" Cards For Everyday

FREE SAMPLES

Yours to Keep!

Mail the Free-Trial Coupon below — NOW. We will send you everything you need to begin making money right away. Gorgeous sample assortments on approval. Complete details about excellent profits. Also, Free full-color catalog and Free samples of exciting new "Name-Imprinted" Cards which you may keep. Don't miss this chance to make new friends and add substantial extra cash to your income. Mail coupon *now!*

HARRY DOEHLA CO., Studio **M183**, *Nashua, N.H. (Or if you live west of the Rockies—mail coupon to Palo Alto, Cal.)*

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20 Boxes in 2 Hours' Time
"I'm thrilled with the beauty of these cards and so are my customers. I have now sold about 20 boxes . . . in about two hours"
—Bernice Johnson, S D

$15 in Orders in 1½ Hours

"On first afternoon I sold $15 worth in 1½ hours. Now sales are 3 times better"—*Mrs. R Kutz, Wis*

$40 Worth in Half a Day!
"I received orders for $40 worth of cards in 4½ hours. The earnings have obtained for me a nice automatic ironer and many useful things for our home"
—Mrs. J H Powers, Jr., Ky.

Has Fun Earning At 14

"I'm 14 years old. Began with neighbors and phoning my mother's friends. Now I get big orders—$5 to $18. Am saving up for college"
—Carol Anger, Calif

IF YOUR CHURCH, club or organization wants a quick easy way to raise funds all year 'round—write, giving your name, name, address of organization, and name of person in charge of fund-raising. By return mail we send our valuable guide for groups, with sample kit, on approval

Mail Free-Trial Coupon—Without Money or Obligation

HARRY DOEHLA CO., Studio M183. (Palo Alto, Calif.)
(If you live East of Rockies, address Nashua Office) (Nashua, N. H.)

Please rush—for FREE TRIAL—sample boxes on approval and money-making plan. Free samples of smart "Name-Imprinted" Cards, and FREE BOOK of easy ways for *anyone* to make money.

Name_____
(Please Print)

Address_____

City_____ State_____

Please state Zone No. (if any)

GIVEN! BOYS! GIRLS! LADIES! MEN!

WE GIVE YOU CASH OR PREMIUMS!

JUDY and JIM DEFY SAVAGE GORILLA!

YOU KIDS DESERVE A MEDAL! WHERE DID YOU GET THAT "22" RIFLE AND THAT BOW AND ARROW?
WE EARNED THEM SELLING WHITE CLOVERINE BRAND SALVE!
WOW! I'M GONNA SELL SOME OF THAT SALVE TOO!

Wallets
Food Choppers
Carving Sets
Aluminum Ware
Blankets

Typewriters
Flashlights

Field Glasses
Wrist Watches,
Footballs

Archery Sets
Swim Fins

Swim Masks
Axe & Knife Sets

Radios, Electric Record Players (sent postage paid). Mail coupon for order and catalog to start.

Pen & Pencil Sets

Clocks

Pocket Watches
Bibles

Boys-girls Bicycles

Pearls

Ukuleles
Electric Deep Fryer
Wrist Watches

Flashlights

Candid Cameras with Carrying Cases

Wagons

SOLD BY AGENTS AND DRUG STORES EVERYWHERE

Dolls

Yessiree, a real, live Pony for your very own. Wrist Watches, Clocks – Mail coupon for SALVE and pictures to get started now!

22 Calibre Rifles, 1000-Shot Daisy Air Rifles

MAIL COUPON
LET'S GO!
ACT NOW!

BIG CATALOG!

Alarm Clocks, Pen and Pencil Sets, Bibles, Binoculars, Telescopes, Roller Skates, Footballs, Aluminum Ware, Record Players, Movie Machines (sent postage paid). Mail coupon to start.

WE TRUST YOU
OUR 60TH YEAR

MAIL NOW!

Wilson Chemical Co., Dept. 148-60 Tyrone, Pa. Date _____

Gentlemen:– Please send me on trial 14 colorful art pictures with 14 boxes of White CLOVERINE Brand SALVE to sell at 35c a box (with picture). I will remit amount asked within 30 days, select a Premium or keep Cash Commission as explained under Premium wanted in catalog sent with order, postage paid to start.

NAME _____ AGE _____

ST. _____ R. D. _____ BOX _____

TOWN _____ ZONE NO. _____ STATE _____

PRINT LAST NAME HERE

Paste coupon on postal card or mail in envelope today

Wilson Chem. Co. Dept. 148-60, Tyrone, Pa. WE ARE RELIABLE!